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MEMORANDUM

To : INR/OD - Ray S. Cline  
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Subject: Geographic Attaché Program

On January 20, 1971, Bill McAfee and Arthur Burt met in my office to discuss with me the recent developments in the matter of the Geographic Attaché program. At that time it was decided that Art Burt would informally determine, among the participating agencies, the extent to which position and financial support might be forthcoming.



The program currently operates with eight Geographic Attachés, and the above possibilities would be planned so that that number would not be exceeded.



He has also met with DOD officials and they plan to consult with General Bennett, Director of DIA, on the course of action which they may be able to take.

The plan of assignment of Geographic Attachés which we would like to implement is as follows:

Positions based  
Overseas

1. New Delhi
2. Nairobi
3. Tehran
4. Tokyo

Positions based  
in Washington

1. Latin America
2. Northern Europe
3. Western Europe
4. Eastern Europe

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This plan is currently in operation with two exceptions: (a) there is no position now in Nairobi, and Africa is served from Washington, and (b) there is a GA in Bonn, who would be based in Washington if the Nairobi position is established.

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We feel that State should provide at least three overseas positions, since the program, at the beginning of BALPA, had ten positions. This would represent a 70% field cut.



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